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59th Semi-Annual General Council

On April 21, 2007 was the 59th Semi-Annual General Council meeting at the Tecumseh Square Center. There were an approximately 160 that attended this meeting.

A great breakfast was provided by our very own Title VI staff. The Executive staff made an excellent choice for the lunch which was catered by LaDonna's Grill located in Meeker, Ok.

The meeting started at 10:00 a.m. with Robert White giving the invocation. Followed by each member of the Executive Committee reporting on what their offices and the departments under their direction are doing at this time.

When the podium was opened, many members addressed their concerns and asked questions toward the Executive Committee.

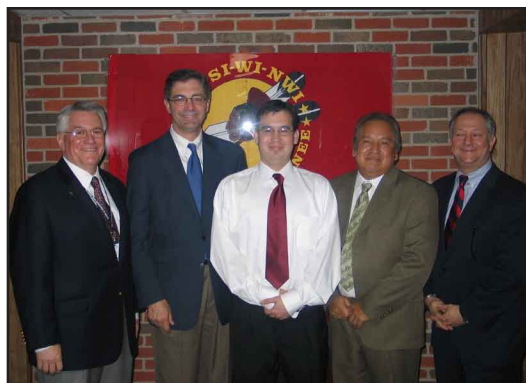
Many are concerned about the Casino, future businesses to generate more revenue and the healthcare program.



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Commissioner Crutcher of OSDH Meets with AST on Tribal Health Issues



Pictured Left to Right: Tim Tall Chief, Deputy Director, Administrative Services, OSDH; Dr. Mike Crutcher, M.D., MPH, FACPM, Commissioner, OSDH; Scott Miller, Lieutenant Governor; Steve Johnson, Secretary; Chris Walker, Executive Director/Consultant

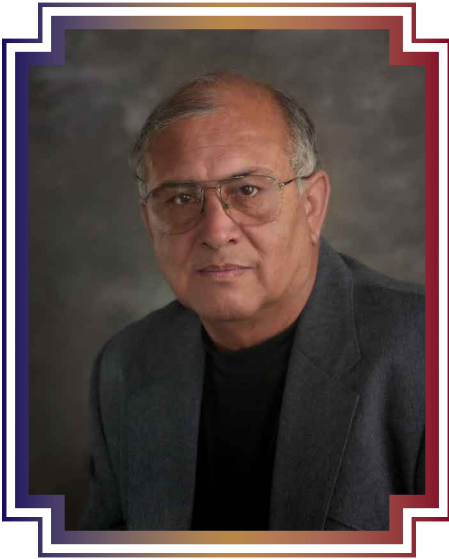
Dr. Mike Crutcher, Commissioner of the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) was recently appointed Cabinet Secretary of Health by Governor Brad Henry. In this role he and his tribal liaison, Tim Tall Chief, Deputy Director, Administrative Services, OSDH, discussed concerns in establishing a Tribal Consultation policy for Tribes with State agencies; Race classification to ensure that health data is being gathered; Concerns over the 'English Only' bill; Challenges faced in information sharing with the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.

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All AST Offices will be
CLOSED
Monday, May 28th
for Memorial Day

**RUN OFF
ELECTION
IN JUNE 16, 2007
VOTE
FOR THE
CANDIDATE OF
YOUR CHOICE**

VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE



**Larry Nuckolls
Governor**

2007 May Report

This report I want to start out by saying I want to thank those you that supported my re-election bid for this office.

I have met with the Treasurer this past week regarding several items of immediate concerns. The first is regarding the gaming and the budgets. I felt that along with the treasurer that these items need to be addressed sooner than later. We discussed the loss of revenue in gaming because of the competition and how it has or will impact our total budget process and the programs that we currently have.

I informed the Treasurer that there were several activities and areas in gaming that I had done and was prepared to advise the Executive Committee at the next regular meeting. In this area I told the treasurer that my office had already preformed a preliminary study on the hydraulic problems regarding flooding if we were to build a Casino on the tribal complex. This Casino will need to be discussed at the Committee level and then determined what our position would be on such an activity. I will report back to the members on this issue next month.

In another area to generate revenue is the current gift shop. I will present to the Executive Committee to move the current operation from the back of the central building to the location that the proposed bank was going to be located. This would do several things that would help generate revenue. First the gift shop would be out front of the complex in plain view and second they could sell other items such as tobacco goods as our other smoke shops. This would definitively enhance our revenues that would offset other cost of the general fund.

At this time after discussing this issue with the Treasurer I will be scheduling an informal meeting with all the Executive Committee members regarding this issue in order than we can come to some conclusion on the loss of revenues in this area.

Another item's that we discussed was the Bank in Calumet and the lack of direction that the Bank has. The problem is I believe in that we the town itself has only 535 people and it growth potential is no very rewarding considering the large investment that we have in it. The Treasurer is going to present to the Committee his recommendation and it will be coming very soon as this has become critical to our revenue efforts.

Lastly I will be presenting to the Committee at the regular meeting a request for applying for a HUD grant that would allow us to build a small truck stop and restaurant at the Earlsboro exit and I-40. This is similar to the Dream Catcher project but this is a stream down version because of the lack of tribal funding and resources.

These are my office efforts to balance our budgets and to generate revenue. If you have any question please feel free to contact this office. ■

Respectfully
Governor Nuckolls

Chief Of Police DeWayne Wilson Receives C.L.E.E.T Certification



On February 2, 2007, Chief of Police DeWayne Wilson successfully completed the Council of Law Enforcement Education and Training (C.L.E.E.T) Basic Police Academy in Ada, Oklahoma.

C.L.E.E.T Basic Police Academy consist of a nine (9) week training period, wher cadets are to demonstrate proficiency in areas of state law, investigations, firearms qualification, custody/control, and driving techniques etc. Chief Wilson received 320 hours of instruction during this training.

Congratulations Chief Wilson on your great accomplishment.

LEASE & RENTAL OF TRIBALLY OWNED FACILITIES:

- Horseshoe Bend
- Little Axe Community Center
- Tecumseh Square
- Brendle Corner.

Scheduling the above mentioned facilities and paying rental fees and deposits are now being handled through the Tribe's Realty Department.

**For more information contact:
Realty Department
(405) 275-4030**



Scott Miller
Lt. Governor

May Report **2007**

Ho! Hi gi ke ya fi Ho wa se li si mi mo?

I hope everyone is feeling well and is in good health with spring here and summer fast approaching. It was good to see each and every one of you who attend this 59th Semi-Annual General Council. I would like to thank all the employees who volunteered during the Health Fair and all the tribal members who took part.

The Cultural Preservation department has been out in the field working with our tribal members by helping them during the planting season with seeds and prayers. Gardening is an important part of our culture because we use several items from our crops in our ceremonies, especially Indian corn. Indian corn has been an essential part of the Shawnee culture hundreds of years and continues to be to this day.

The Cultural Preservation Department also participated in the processional at the National Indian Child Welfare Association Conference in Oklahoma City and set up a display at Tinker Air Force base in Midwest City during Diversity Day. It is important for non-Native Americans to learn about Native American culture and that not all tribes have the same way of life. I hope that our tribal members who are not familiar with the Absentee Shawnee culture use the available resources in the Cultural Preservation Department to learn about our culture.

The Language department continues

to provide language classes at Brendle Corner and is in the process of creating a language curriculum and small booklets with tapes so that our young people and adult tribal people may see and hear our language. Our language is important and continues to become endangered with the loss of elder tribal members who know how to speak our language. The preservation of our language continues to be extremely important and the survival of our culture depends on our language. I ask tribal members to be supportive of preserving our language and inquire about learning materials.

Over the past few months, Thunderbird management has brought in new games to be competitive and drew more customers to the facility. WMS games are very popular and have a variety of themes to play. The best feature about WMS is that every game has a bonus round to normal play. According to management, Thunderbird should start experiencing an increase in cash flow, which helps the casino operation and the tax collection. Time and time again, my office and Thunderbird management has heard about the importance of an action plan and implementing it as soon as possible. An action plan is a good guide for which areas needing to be addressed, but the results of a plan will take time and will not be overnight.

Gaming expansion is a big topic of discussion for the Executive Committee. On different occasions other Executive Committee members have expressed that we should have another gaming operation to help with profits. It is apparent that we should move forward with this new operation leaving discussions for where to place the operation and how to fund the construction. There are advantages and disadvantages to using investors or obtaining a loan from a bank. These are issues the Executive Committee will need to work out to move forward and hopefully the discussions will be positive and productive.

The Health Program has been working on improving third party collections, decreasing Contract Health Service complaints, moving the Little Axe clinic and its health functions towards AAAHC accreditation and reviewing options for expanding health service levels. As I stated at General Council, it is a continuing work in progress to improve our delivery of services. Your patients are appreciated.

We received good news from the Administration for Children and Family, our funding agency, that our application for construction of a second daycare facility has been approved. Our next step in the process is the preparation of a request for

proposal to pick a construction contractor for this project. We will have to advertise for a period of time before we can move to the next step in the process before construction can begin.

Building Blocks received an unexpected visit from the Oklahoma State Health Department Inspection office and was advised that the Center promoted a professional image and was one of the BEST in the counties the inspector serviced. The Center is working on the Child Care grant application that is due in June and will schedule a public meeting concerning this grant in the near future.

In a recent meeting held with the new Cabinet Secretary, Dr. Mike Crutcher, health and related topics were discussed. Emphasis was placed on Tribal Consultation and the need to have input into state agencies through a negotiated agreement. Currently, the State of Oklahoma does not have a consultation policy with tribes and such policy would better relationships with state agencies. Another issue discussed, Oklahoma American Indians are born Indian, but are classified Caucasians due to misclassification done on death certificates. This data is used by funding agencies and it is important that all race related data be generated by the Oklahoma State Department of Health consistently and accurately. The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and Oklahoma Health Care Authority communication levels were also discussed. Tribes are getting lip service from these two agencies and no results with current issues presented to the agencies. We hope that communication levels improve and issue be promptly addressed. This meeting was a critical first step in addressing ongoing state agency related issues. In May, I along with Secretary Johnson will be visiting with Governor Brad Henry's first line staff on these and other tribal issues.

I have asked Secretary Johnson's office to take on the function and duties related to the Resource Center. The Secretary has advised he is open to new ideas and is willing to integrate them into the Resource Center's operations. The Resource Center is an important part of the Little Axe community and due to budget constraints; my budget would not be able to fully staff the Resource Center. Hopefully someday we can restore the Resource Center budget and allow it to function as it did a few years ago. ■

Ne yi wa! Si li no ke ka no la!



Steve Johnson
Secretary

2007 May Report

First of all I would like to thank everyone who attended the 59th Semi-Annual General Council. It was a good turn-out. I was very pleased about the number of people who were able to attend. I would like to start off by saying there is a lot of work that has to happen prior to the general council, and I would like to thank everyone involved

who had a part in it and helped to make it happen.

My report is going to be brief and to the point. The Sec. Office and Maint. Dept. is taking new applications for the Mowing service so please get them turned in as soon as you can. We are in the process of mowing the lawns right now, but due to the weather we are somewhat limited to how many we can get done in a week. As was mentioned in my last article, the lawn mowing program eligibility criteria has been revised. What I failed to mention is that for those of you who were eligible last year but aren't this year, you will be allowed one courtesy cutting. Tribally owned property will be taken care of first. Then we will get to you as soon as possible so please be patient with us.

I received a memo from the Lt. Governor's office dated April 16, 2007 and it reads "Based on the internal review conducted by my office of functions taking place at the Resource Center your office is requested to take over maintenance, care and service operations of this facility". Based on this Memo I am in the process of developing a plan to best utilize the Resource Center to its fullest potential. I believe it's a big asset to the Little Axe community and the surrounding area. If anyone has any ideas about the Center I encourage you to provide input to my office. You may do this by email, letter or just by giving me a call.

Because of some of the projects I'm involved in right now and the preparation involved in preparing for the General Council I didn't want to delay the paper any later than it has to be, so I am ending my report on this note: Please feel free to call me any time at my office or on my cell phone the number is 405-401-3156. Nothing is ever just black and white and people have an enormous amount to contribute if you listen. Everyone has a good angle, if they have thought the idea through. ■

Thank you,

Secretary Johnson

Springtime is here!
Grass mowing available
to tribal members.
All tribal members wanting to be placed on the list, must complete an application and turn into the Secretary's office.
Limited slots available.

For more information
Contact Secretary's Office
405-275-4030

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FY-2007 YTD TAX COLLECTIONS (thru 4/30/07)

TAX CATEGORY	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	YEAR-TO-DATE TOTAL	% OF COLLECTIONS
Sales (6%)	\$36,065.14	\$24,159.82	\$27,944.41	\$26,875.18	\$115,044.55	7.10%
Gaming (6%)(23%)	\$306,362.51	\$335,568.64	\$339,874.93	\$436,061.62	\$1,417,867.70	87.48%
Employee (1%)	\$10,339.24	\$7,878.81	\$7,937.65	\$9,510.79	\$35,666.49	2.20%
Severance (8%)	\$2,191.01	\$1,821.63	\$2,528.00	\$1,149.56	\$7,690.20	0.47%
Motor Vehicle	\$10,805.13	\$11,128.43	\$10,699.54	\$11,132.81	\$43,765.91	2.70%
TOTAL TAXES	\$365,763.03	\$380,557.33	\$388,984.53	\$484,729.96	\$1,620,034.85	
Miscellaneous	\$110.00	\$102.50	\$504.50	\$42.00	\$759.00	0.05%
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$365,873.03	\$380,659.83	\$389,489.03	\$484,771.96	\$1,620,793.85	100%

NOTE:

- State/Tribal Gaming Compact expires 1/1/2010.
- Gaming includes Casino Machines, Blackjack, and Poker.
- Blackjack began 1/27/05; Poker began 4/11/05.
- Gaming Tax amended to assess 6% on Machines Currency Drop, 23% on Blackjack Net Win (Pool), and 23% on Poker Rake, effective 10/7/05 (Reso LAS-2005-43).
- 3 Card Poker began 5/19/06.



Ewell Longhorn
Treasurer
May 2007
TREASURER REPORT

The 59th Semi-Annual General Council has come and gone. Tribal members voiced their questions, concerns, complaints, appreciation for the Tribe and words of advice to your Executive Committee members. Although we may pin a number to this past General Council as the "59th", council meetings have always been a part of our Tribe's way of making decisions or governing its affairs. In fact, Shawnee Nation council meetings in the bygone years of centuries ago lasted for days or even weeks at a time depending on the size of the issue to be decided and the amount of disagreement within the Shawnee Nation on the issue at hand.

Well our 59th Council lasted only for a little over two hours but Tribal members still had time to speak on several important issues regarding our Tribe. I would like to summarize several of the points raised by Tribal members as follow:

1. Executive Committee members should submit better or more informative reports to General Council explaining what they spend their time and efforts on while in office.
2. Tell General Council what the Tribe's plans are for the Dream-Catcher project, the Bank Branch building, Thunderbird Casino, etc.
3. Explain the Executive Committee's vision for the Tribe over the next 2 or 3 years. Or does the Executive Committee have any vision for the Tribe?
4. Executive Committee members should visit Tribal members more often to learn of their needs or problems with Tribal programs.
5. The Tribe is at a crossroads, Executive Committee members should have written plans in place for moving the Tribe forward.
6. The Tribe needs to honor its veterans especially those returning from war or overseas with dances and also plan a Shawnee Day.
7. The Tribe should have a weather policy that con-

siders the need for certain medical and other urgent needs of Tribal members regardless of whether roads are bad or other conditions exist that may cause closure of Tribal offices.

8. When everything is said and done, our people need to be drawn together with differences put aside for the betterment of the Tribe.

There were many other words of appreciation, suggestions, and questions also directed to the Executive Committee, but I guess if you weren't able to make it for the meeting you'll just have to wait for the minutes of the meeting at the next General Council in October to read them for yourself.

Oh yeah, General Council also voted to place an Election Ordinance Amendment on the ballot for the General Election in June. Contact the Election Commission at the Tribal Complex for more information on the proposed changes.

Lastly, thanks to the program personnel and programs represented at the meeting as an outreach effort to Tribal members with their program services.

NOW DOWN TO BUSINESS

When General Council speaks the Executive Committee should listen or at least consider the voices of Tribal members. I listened closely and followed-up with a letter to the Executive Committee on April 24th requesting that the Governor coordinate a meeting of the Executive Committee members as soon as possible to discuss and make plans for finding solutions on five urgent Tribal topics. I have summarized the topics below:

1. Thunderbird Casino - The Casino needs an objective assessment of the operation and the Executive Committee must consider taking appropriate actions to protect this valuable Tribal asset. Too much hangs in the balance for the whole Tribe.
2. Tribal taxes and other revenues are coming into the Tribe below the projected revenue levels used when formulating the approved 2007 General Fund Budget. During the 2007 General Fund Budget process significant reliance was placed on estimated Gaming tax revenues provided by Thunderbird Casino management. All budgets reliant on the General Fund must be re-evaluated and adjusted accordingly as soon as possible.
3. As the Tribe's shareholder representative for All Nations Bank, the Executive Committee should establish a clear plan for the Bank concerning the vacant Branch building on the Tribal Complex, increasing the value of the Bank, and also in recovering some of the over \$4 million in Tribal funds still invested in the Bank. Given the Tribe's revenue situation the need for recovering some of the Tribe's large investment in the Bank will likely increase significantly this year unless Casino revenues improve dramatically.
4. A gaming operation site should be developed on the Tribal Complex property. This is particularly important given our current Casino revenue situation. The Executive Committee should decide and establish a clear plan for this to happen as soon as possible.
5. Considering the Tribe's financial issues, the Execu-

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tive Committee should consider amending retroactively past Executive Committee Resolutions that provided for the earmarking of Tribal tax revenues for specific purposes (Catastrophic Health 2% & Health Care 15% of Gaming tax). The percentages should be amended to more affordable levels. This would allow continued contributions for specific needs but also allow some reduction of burden on the Tribe's General Fund bank and investment account balances. It appears the original set aside percentages didn't adequately anticipate the fall of Gaming Tax revenues during 2006 while there were also increases in General Fund spending at the same time.

One Tribal member stated at General Council, "Our Tribe is at a crossroads", I agree with this statement wholeheartedly. At the time of writing this report, I am meeting with or scheduling meetings with each of the Executive Committee members to discuss the above topics as well as any other topics they may have as top priorities from their offices. But it takes the Executive Committee to take formal actions on all the above issues. I will keep you advised on the progress of these efforts. ■

Thanks!

elonghorn@astribe.com

The family of (Esther) Cynthia A Blanchard, would like to say THANK YOU, to the Absentee Shawnee Tribal employees and to everyone that was able to attend our mothers service, and those who brought items, your kindness during our loss will always be remembered. The grieving process was the 1st experience for most of her children, grandchildren, with your kind words and help it was made a little easier. We just want to say thank you to everyone and how much we appreciated all the help during that time.



Absentee Shawnee Employee Activity Committee

4 Man Golf Scramble

Prizes will be determined by number of entries.

When: May 25, 2007
Where: Firelake Golf Course
Entry Fee: \$60.00 Per Person
 (\$240.00 Per Team)
 (Green Fee/Cart/Lunch)

Start: 9:00 a.m.

Call 275-4030 Ext: 114, 161 or 105
 for more information contact:
 Michelle Lopez @ Absentee Shawnee Complex

Entry deadline is May 18, 2007



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Dr. Crutcher and Mr. Tall Chief took a tour of the Absentee Shawnee Health Department and the Little Axe Clinic. They met with staff and shared ideas and issues related to the health department. A business lunch was then held with Lt. Governor Miller, Secretary Johnson, Special Assistant Lesa B. Byford and Administrative Officer Edwina Butler-Wolfe, Chris Walker, Executive Director/Consultant of health who discussed challenges and opportunities faced by the Tribe in relation to health with Dr. Crutcher and Mr. Tall Chief. ■

FLAMING 50/50 pot drawing

Tickets can be purchased at the
Ast Gift Shop located @ the Tribal Complex
AST Grocery & Smokeshops located @
15730 E. Hwy 9, Little Axe, OK
or 19857 NE 23rd, Harrah, OK
DRAWINGS ARE SATURDAYS @ NOON
 Proceeds will benefit the Elders Organization
 and Veteran's Association

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 Surveillance
 Bartenders
 Blackjack Dealers

For more information on position duties please visit us at:

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Norman, OK 73026

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 in the Administration Building.



**Representative
Cindy Carpenter**

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT *May 2007*

Greetings to all Tribal Members,

I hope everyone is doing fine and I was very pleased to see the tribal members at our General Council Meeting. I would like to report on the Title VI Program. First of all, I am very grateful to the elders that have come to me with their complaints. I will be adjusting the problem. I would like to apologize to all the elders about the meals. I must have someone that is going to be 100% dedicated to this job. I must be made aware of negative situations like this and I value each and everyone's concern.

I attended the National Title VI Conference in Baltimore, Maryland with coordinator Yvette Moore. We are going to be working on some guidelines for the Title VI Program. We attended workshops for Healthy Meals, with the information gathered from this workshop, an assessment will be taken which the Title VI Program will be conducting in the fall for our new grant application.

Renee Hood, Director of OEP and I also attended the Tribal Summit in Denver, Colorado on Nuclear Waste Transportation hosted by Dept. of Energy. The DOE is asking tribes to get involved on these summits so they can get tribes input on how to meet the needs on training tribes for an emergency response team, funding, and routing on nuclear

waste. Funding won't begin until 2012 and transportation won't be until 2017 this is all very interesting. There were 39 tribes that attended, the most ever and hopefully more will attend in the future. The next summit will be held in Kansas City at the end of July all expenses paid by the DOE.

I also have Mr. Rick Short working on some grants for different programs for the tribe with no matching cost to the tribe. The grants Rick has applied for are as follows:

1. Bureau of Indian Affairs-
 - a. Car Seat Program-- \$10,000 distributed free car seats.
2. State of Oklahoma
 - a. TEAM School Based Prevention. \$85,000
 - b. REACH 2010 – Tribal Clinic.

We wrote a collaborative grant with the State of Oklahoma for this grant.

3. Indian Health Service
 - a. Diabetes Grant
4. Library Grants
 - a. \$10,000 We have done two of these for the Tribe. They have been used to purchase cultural resources. They have been used to buy supplies for the summer tribal youth programs.
5. Department of Health and Human Services- Administration for Children and Families
 - a. \$3,000,000 Child Development Block Grant.
 - b. \$400,000 Family Violence Prevention
 - c. Drug Court Planning and Implementation Grants. This grant award provided free extensive training for 10 persons from the tribe to create a tribal drug court. After the award a previous administration declined to implement.
6. Department of Housing and Urban Renewal
 - a. \$1,000,000 Block Grant Construction awards.
7. Administration for Native Americans
 - a. \$900,000 Tribal Youth and Tribal Youth Mental Health Programs.

Mr. Short has brought in millions of dollars in federal funding for the tribe in the past and hopefully more in the near future.

I would like to congratulate Ms. Jodi Owings for receiving a great annual re-

view for ICW Grant Program for Fiscal year 2006. The only deficiencies and recommendations were made were the job duties of Child Protection and Indian Child Welfare. Job duties are to be performed separately and should not be assigned to the same employee. We have now employed Ms. Teresa Johnson as our new Child Protection Worker. I want to welcome her to the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

I also would like to report on an important issue, that is our tribal revenue. Secretary Johnson, Mr. Les Cusher, and I took a trip to Tonkawa, Oklahoma. Mr. Cusher is a gaming commissioner for the Tonkawa Tribe. Mr. Cusher took us to see their new gaming facility in Tonkawa, Oklahoma called Native Lights. This facility has around 619 gaming machines, a very nice facility with the newest games. I would like to get a new gaming facility for the tribe but we have to look at all avenues in an investor before we just make a decision. We have to get what we want for the tribe, not the investor. When we find the right option we will present it to the committee for a presentation.

I want the best for our Tribal Members and I want my staff to be good representatives of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe if they can't be the best and take some pride in their jobs then other steps will be taking. This is not an easy job, you have to look all aspects of an employee. If they continue to cause unnecessary problems, then they don't value their jobs in my opinion. How can we be leaders if we let our employees do what ever they want and run over us. ■

Take care and I will see you next month.

Your Tribal Representative
Cindy Carpenter
ccarpenter@astribe.com



**ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA
REGULAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 14, 2007**

EXECUTIVE RESOLUTIONS

E-AS-2007-24

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF DEBBIE ONZAHWAH AS COMMISSIONER TO THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO FILL SCOTT MILLER'S UNEXPIRED TERM, AND EXPIRING OCTOBER 2008.

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and
WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and
WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and
WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and
WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and
WHEREAS, Debbie Onzawah has expressed an interest in serving as Commissioner to the Absentee-Shawnee Housing Authority Board of Commissioners; and
WHEREAS, The Executive Committee feels that Debbie Onzawah will serve the Absentee Shawnee Housing Authority in a manner that will be in the best interest of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma authorizes and appoints Debbie Onzawah as Commissioner to the Absentee-Shawnee Housing Authority Board of Commissioners to fill Scott Miller's unexpired term and expiring October 2008.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-24 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 3 in favor, 1 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: No, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-25

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARTHA WATSON AS COMMISSIONER TO THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR A THREE (3) YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING APRIL 2010.

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and
WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and
WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and
WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and
WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and
WHEREAS, Martha Watson has expressed an interest in serving as Commissioner to the Absentee-Shawnee Housing Authority Board of Commissioners; and
WHEREAS, The Executive Committee feels that Martha Watson will serve the Absentee Shawnee Housing Authority in a manner that will be in the best interest of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma authorizes and appoints Martha Watson as Commissioner to the Absentee-Shawnee Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for a three (3) year term effective immediately and expiring April 2010.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-25 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Abstain, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-26

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA APPOINTING JAMES E. PALINKAS AS CHIEF DISTRICT JUDGE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE DISTRICT TRIBAL COURT, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and
WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and
WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and
WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and
WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and
WHEREAS, James E. Palinkas has served the Tribe well in his capacity as Tribal District Judge and is knowledgeable of the duties required by this appointment; and
WHEREAS, the position of Chief District Judge is vacant and Mr. Palinkas has indicated that he is interested in serving in that capacity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby appoints James E. Palinkas as Chief District Judge of the Absentee Shawnee District Tribal Court, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-26 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstention, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-27

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA APPOINTING CARLA HADDOX TO SERVE ON THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE DISTRICT TRIBAL COURT, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and
WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and
WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and
WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and
WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and
WHEREAS, Carla Haddox has expressed an interest in serving as a Tribal District Judge and is qualified and very capable of providing proper and prudent service to that office; and
WHEREAS, it is deemed in the best interest of the Tribe and its membership to appoint qualified and interested parties to serve in the capacity of Tribal District Judge of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby appoints Carla Haddox to serve a six (6) year term on the Absentee Shawnee District Tribal Court commencing on the date of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-27 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-28

NOTE: DISAPPROVED

A RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING: (A) THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF JAMES B. SILMAN, M.D. TO THE HEALTH CARE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS A SERIES A DIRECTOR AND; (B) A WAIVER OF THE APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES DUE TO THESE BEING A RE-APPOINTMENT OF DR. JAMES B. SILMAN TO THE SERIES A DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and WHEREAS, Dr. James B. Silman is currently serving on the Health Board of Directors and has expressed an interest in continuing to serve on the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Health Programs Board of Directors; and WHEREAS, it is of utmost importance that the Health Program Board of Directors consists of persons who are dedicated to the Health Care needs of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma. WHEREAS, the Executive committee hereby waives the appointment procedures due to this being a re-appointment and thus allowing Dr. James B. Silman to be immediately re-appointed to such directorship.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby re-appoints Dr. James B. Silman to the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Health Programs Board of Directors to a Series A Directorship.

BIT IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appointment procedures for naming members to the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Health Care Board of Directors, be and hereby are waived for the re-appointment of Dr. James B. Silman to a Series A Directorship.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-28 to be a true and exact copy as DISAPPROVED by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 2 in favor of DISAPPROVAL, 0 opposed, and 2 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Abstain, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Abstain, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-29

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIMBER LEE DAVIS TO THE HEALTH CARE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE SERIES B DIRECTORSHIP.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and WHEREAS, Kimber Lee Davis has expressed an interest in serving on the Absentee Tribal Health Programs Board of Directors; and WHEREAS, it is of utmost importance that the Health Program Board of Directors consists of persons who are dedicated to the Health Care needs of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes and approves the appointment of Kimber Lee Davis to the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Health Programs of Directors for a Series B Directorship.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-29 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A

E-AS-2007-30

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA APPROVING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DONNA JONES TO THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA'S TAX COMMISSION FOR A TWO YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution

approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and WHEREAS, Ms. Jones has served the Tribe well in the capacity of Tax Commissioner and is knowledgeable of what is required of the Tax Commission; and WHEREAS, Ms. Jones has indicated that she is interested in serving the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma's Tax Commission for another term.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes and re-appoints Donna Jones to the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma's Tax Commission effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-30 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-31

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA RE-APPOINTING JANIE FLOYD AS A MEMBER OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TAX BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR A TWO YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and WHEREAS, Janie Floyd has expressed concern for the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma Tax Board of Commissioners and a willingness to serve as a member of the Board; and WHEREAS, it is of the utmost importance that this Board consist of person who are dedicated to the tax needs of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee feels that Janie Floyd has served well and will serve the Board in a manner that will be in the best interest of the tax needs of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby re-appoints Janie Floyd as a member of the Absentee Shawnee Tax Board of Commissioners for a two (2) year term effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-31 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-32

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA, THROUGH ITS POLICE DEPARTMENT, APPROVE TO APPLY FOR A COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT DIRECT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CEDAP) 2007 OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO ACQUIRE EQUIPMENT (800 MHZ RADIOS) FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and

WHEREAS, the Department of The Homeland Security of the United States is offering assistance through the CEDAP Program to, inter alia, federally recognized Indian Tribes, for the purchase of police equipment for the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribal Police Department desires to acquire needed equipment (800 MHZ Radios) for the Police Department but does not desire to burden the Tribe's General Fund with the total cost thereof; and

WHEREAS, under the CEDAP Program with the Department of Homeland Security which will finance 100% of the cost pertaining to the equipment (800 MHZ Radios).

WHEREAS, the only cost foreseeable to the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Police Department would be the cost of programing the 800 MHZ Radios.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, through its Police Department, to apply for a the Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) 2007 of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to acquire police equipment (800 MHZ Radios)

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-32 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007 there being a quorum present, by vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor's vote, if required.

E-AS-2007-33

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA APPROVING AND ACCEPTING MIKENNA HOPE DAUGHERTY AND PRADA DEEANN HEATLEY AS ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and

WHEREAS, the following individuals have applied for membership in the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and

NAME OF ENROLLEE	DOB	DEGREE OF BLOOD
Mikenna Hope Daugherty	02/05/2007	1/4
Prada DeeAnn Heatley	01/08/2007	1/4

WHEREAS, the above-named individuals have satisfactorily met the Constitutional enrollment requirements of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that, research has been conducted, and to the best of our knowledge, these individuals are not enrolled with another tribe; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate documentation required for this action is on file in the Enrollment section of the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Secretary's office.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma hereby approves and accepts the above named individuals as enrolled members of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma as of the date of this resolution.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve A. Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-33 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called Regular Meeting held on April 14, 2007 there being a quorum present by a vote of: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes; Secretary Johnson: Yes; Treasurer Longhorn: Yes; Representative Carpenter: Yes; Governor Nuckolls vote, if required: N/A.

E-AS-2007-34

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA RESCINDING RESOLUTION NOS. E-AS-2007-06 AND E-AS-2007-07 WHICH APPROVED THE APPOINTMENTS OF DONNA CODY AND MONTE LEE HARRIS, RESPECTIVELY, TO THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE GAMING COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and

WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and

WHEREAS, said appointees did not meet the requirements set out by the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma rescinds Resolution Nos. E-AS-2007-06 and E-AS-2007-07 which approved the appointments of Donna Cody and Monte Lee Harris, respectively, to the Absentee Shawnee Gaming Commission.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-34 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor Nuckolls vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-35

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZES AMENDING E-AS-2006-27, IN WHICH THE REPRESENTATIVE WAS INADVERTENTLY EXCLUDED FROM THE RESOLUTION, ADDING THE REPRESENTATIVE AS A SIGNOR ON BANK ACCOUNTS, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY; AND AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS MANUAL CHAPTER III, SECTION B(2).

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and

WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and

WHEREAS, it is the fiduciary duty of the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and

WHEREAS, as the number of employees and the number of vendors that the Tribe conducts business with, on a weekly basis, increases the number of purchase orders and checks to be issued, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to streamline the issuance of tribal checks and the facsimile signature of the Treasurer and Lieutenant Governor accomplishes this task, and

WHEREAS, all checks in excess of \$3,000.00 shall be signed with two (2) actual signatures of either the Treasurer, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary or Representative; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee passed Resolution E-AS-2006-27 changing the facsimile signatures from Five-Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00) and decreasing the dollar amount for facsimile signature to Three-Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$3000.00) in which inadvertently excluded the Representative as a signor who was approved as a signor by Resolution L-AS-2005-58; and

WHEREAS, Chapter III, Section B(2) of the Administrative Systems Manual now reads as follows:

2. The Constitution also states that the Treasurer shall be the custodian of all monies and related bookkeeping functions which come under the jurisdiction or control of the Tribe. The Treasurer, Lt. Governor and/or the Secretary of the Tribe are authorized to sign checks for expenditures approved by the Executive Committee or their respective designee's, to keep and maintain an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements through a double-entry system of accounting records, and to submit financial reports and results of audits to the Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, Chapter III, Section B(2) of the Administrative Systems Manual should be amended to add the Representative as an authorized signor on bank accounts and will hereafter read as follows:

2. The Constitution also states that the Treasurer shall be the custodian of all monies and related bookkeeping functions which come under the jurisdiction or control of the Tribe. The Treasurer, Lt. Governor, Secretary and/or the Representative of the Tribe are authorized to sign checks for expenditures approved by the Executive Committee or their respective designee's, to keep and maintain an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements through a double-entry system of accounting records, and to submit financial reports and results of audits to the Executive Committee; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma authorizes amending E-AS-2006-27, in which the Representative was inadvertently excluded from the Resolution, adding the Representative as a signor on bank accounts, effective immediately; and amending the Administrative Systems Manual, Chapter III, Section B(2) as set out above.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-35 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by a vote of 3 in favor, 1 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: No, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor Nuckoll's vote, if required, N/A.

E-AS-2007-36

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER'S OFFICE AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH A BANK ACCOUNT AT BANCFIRST TITLED "AST ELDERS AND VETERANS 50/50 POT RAFFLE" ACCOUNT WITH THE DUAL SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZED SIGNORS BEING THE SAME AS OTHER TRIBAL BANK ACCOUNTS; THE ACCOUNT BEING FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEPOSITING PROCEEDS AND ANY UNCLAIMED POTS FROM THE WEEKLY 50/50 POT RAFFLE CONDUCTED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ELDERS COUNCIL AND VETERANS ORGANIZATION AS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION E-AS-2007-19, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the 50/50 Pot Raffle was approved by Resolution E-AS-2007-19 for benefit of the Elders Council and the Veterans Organization; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee finds it in the best interest of both groups to keep proceeds separate from Tribal funds; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee see the need to establish a separate bank account for the proceeds of these funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes the Treasurer's Office and Finance Department to establish a bank account at BancFirst titled "AST Elders and Veterans 50/50 Pot Raffle" Account with the dual signature requirements and authorized signors being the same as other Tribal bank accounts; the account being for the purpose of depositing proceeds and any unclaimed pots from the Weekly 50/50 Pot Raffle conducted for the benefit of the Elders Council and Veterans Organization as authorized pursuant to Resolution E-AS-2007-19, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-36 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 3 in favor, 2 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: No, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: No, Governor's vote, if required, Yes.

E-AS-2007-37

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING A DISTRIBUTION OF THE 50/50 POT RAFFLE PROCEEDS WITH 75% TO THE ELDERS COUNCIL AND 25% TO THE VETERANS ORGANIZATION WITH DISTRIBUTIONS TO BE MADE MONTHLY FROM THE "AST ELDERS & VETERANS 50/50 POT RAFFLE" ACCOUNT INTO THE TRIBE'S GENERAL FUND OPERATING ACCOUNT WITH APPROPRIATE AMOUNTS CREDITED TO THE BUDGETS OF EACH ORGANIZATION, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the 50/50 Pot Raffle was approved by Resolution E-AS-2007-19 for benefit of the Elders Council and the Veterans Organization; and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee finds it in the best interest of both groups to keep proceeds separate from Tribal funds; and WHEREAS, the Elders Council and the Veterans Organization held meetings in March 2007 approving of the distribution of the 50/50 Pot Raffle proceeds with 75% to the Elders Council and 25% to the Veterans Organization with distributions to be made

the Elders Council and 25% to the Veterans Organization with distributions to be made monthly from the "AST Elders & Veterans 50/50 Pot Raffle" account into the Tribe's General Fund Operating account with appropriate amounts credited to the budgets of each organization.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes a distribution of the 50/50 Pot Raffle proceeds with 75% to the Elders Council and 25% to the Veterans Organization with distributions to be made monthly from the "AST Elders & Veterans 50/50 Pot Raffle" account into the Tribe's General Fund Operating account with appropriate amounts credited to the budgets of each organization, effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-37 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 3 in favor, 2 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: No, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: No, Governor's vote, if required, Yes.

E-AS-2007-38

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA HEREBY APPROVES OF THE CLOSURE OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS OF THE RODESIDE MOTEL, EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2007.

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body; and WHEREAS, the Rodeside Motel is not operating at a profit and continues to operate at a ultimately utilizing General Fund monies to operate; and WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe at this time to implement closure of business operations of the Rodeside Motel with preparation of facilities for winterization and security of property to be coordinated by Enterprise Chief Financial Officer and accomplished in accordance with approved 2007 budget, effective May 1, 2007.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby approves of the closure of business operations of the Rodeside Motel, effective May 1, 2007.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-38 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor Nuckolls vote if required.

E-AS-2007-39

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS THAT ARE COLLECTED AND IDENTIFIED BY THE REALTY DEPARTMENT AS FUNDS DERIVED FROM THE LEASE AND/OR RENTAL OF TRIBALLY OWNED FACILITIES, TO THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT'S GENERAL FUND BUDGET, FACILITIES MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and WHEREAS, it is the fiduciary responsibility of the Executive Committee to insure that tribal programs are adequately funded, and WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma owns facilities that are leased and/or rented for various activities or for extended lengths of time, and WHEREAS, the funds collected from these leases and/or rentals are deposited into the Tribe's General Fund, and WHEREAS, the lease/rental funds that are collected are generically identified as GENERAL FUND, and

WHEREAS, the facilities require routine maintenance due to normal wear and tear, and on occasion damages are sustained that would be considered more severe than normal wear and tear, and
 WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma finds that identifying the funds and formally allocating the funds to the Maintenance Department's General Fund Budget, Facilities Maintenance Account is a financially sound decision.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma authorizes the Finance Department to allocate funds that are collected and identified by the Realty Department as funds derived from the lease and/or rental of tribally owned facilities (a list of which is attached hereto), to the Maintenance Department's General Fund Budget, Facilities Maintenance Account.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. E-AS-2007-39 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by a vote of 3 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Abstain, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: No Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor Nuckolls vote, if required, Yes.

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 3, 2007 LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

L-AS-2007-18

A RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING A SINGLE PER CAPITA PAYMENT TO TRIBAL ELDERS AGES SIXTY (60) YEARS AND OLDER AS OF MARCH 31, 2007 WITH THE SUM TOTAL OF ALL PER CAPITA PAYMENTS TO ELIGIBLE ELDERS NOT TO EXCEED EIGHTY-THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$80,000.00) AND DISTRIBUTED EQUALLY BETWEEN ELIGIBLE ELDERS; WHICH SHALL BE FUNDED BY THE DIVIDEND DECLARED AND RECEIVED BY THE TRIBE FROM ALLNATIONS BANK, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and
 WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and
 WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and
 WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and
 WHEREAS, the Executive Committee wishes to honor all Tribal Members who as of March 31, 2007 are 60 years of age and older, and
 WHEREAS, a dividend payment has been made to the Tribe in the amount of Eighty-Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$80,000.00)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes a single per capita payment to Tribal Elders ages Sixty (60) years and older as of March 31, 2007 with the sum total of all per capita payments to eligible Elders not to exceed Eighty-Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$80,000.00) and distributed equally between eligible Elders; which shall be funded by the dividend declared and received by the Tribe from AllNations Bank, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. L-AS-2007- 18 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 3, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 1 in favor, 0 opposed, and 2 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Absent, Secretary Johnson: Abstain, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Abstain, Governor's vote, if required, N/A.

ABSENTEE -SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA REGULAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 14, 2007 LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

L-AS-2007-19

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING REVISED COST ANALYSIS FOR THE TECUMSEH COMMUNITY PROJECT FROM ARCHITECTS PATTERSON/JOHNSON

AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS AND NO/CENTS (\$189,383.00) FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REVISED BUDGET HERETO ATTACHED .

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and
 WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and
 WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and
 WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and
 WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility of the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority, and;
 WHEREAS, a revised cost analysis for the Tecumseh Community Project from the architects Patterson/Johnson for an additional amount of \$189, 383.00.
 WHEREAS, the additional amount of \$189,383.00 be allocated from the General Fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma authorizes and approves the revised cost analysis for the Tecumseh Community Project from the General Fund in accordance with the spreadsheet attached hereto.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. L-AS-2007-19 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called Regular Meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by vote of 3 in favor, 1 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follow: Lt. Governor Miller Yes; Secretary Johnson Yes; Treasurer Longhorn No; Representative Carpenter Yes; and the Governor's vote, if required N/A.

L-AS-2007-20

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE THUNDERBIRD CASINO BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2007 AS REFLECTED IN ATTACHMENT "A".

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and
 WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and
 WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and
 WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and
 WHEREAS, the Executive Committee approves of an operational budget for Thunderbird Casino, an enterprise of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and
 WHEREAS, it is deemed in the best interest of Tribal programs and the Tribe's enterprises that the Executive Committee approve a yearly operating budget so that programs and enterprises can conduct business accordingly.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby authorizes and approves the Thunderbird Casino budget for calendar year 2007 as reflected in attachment "A".

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. L-AS-2007-20 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by a vote of 3 in favor, 1 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor: Yes, Secretary: Yes, Treasurer: No Representative: Yes, Governor=s vote, if required, N/A.

L-AS-2007-21

A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE-SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA HEREBY APPROVES THE TRANSFER OF THIRTY-TWO-THOUSAND FIVE-HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$32,500.00) FROM THE 2007 INTERNAL AUDIT BUDGET TO THE 2007 FINANCE BUDGET IN ORDER TO PAY THE EXPENSE FOR AN ADDITIONAL STAFF ACCOUNTANT, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial, and
 WHEREAS, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of Interior, last amended in August 1988, and
 WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business

in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body, and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and WHEREAS, the authorities granted by this Resolution shall be continuing until and unless rescinded by separate action of this body; and WHEREAS, funds were approved by Resolution L-AS-2007-06 for the 2007 Internal Audit Department in which the Internal Audit Department will not be staffed at this time; and WHEREAS, the Finance Department is in need of a one additional Staff Accountant; and WHEREAS, approved 2007 Internal Audit Budget funds in the amount of \$32,500 need to be transferred to the 2007 Finance Budget in order to pay the expense for the additional Staff Accountant.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby approves the transfer of Thirty-Two-Thousand Five-Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$32,500.00) from the 2007 Internal Audit Budget to the 2007 Finance Budget in order to pay the expense for an additional Staff Accountant, effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

We, Larry Nuckolls, Governor and Steve Johnson, Secretary of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. L-AS-2007-21 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called meeting held on April 14, 2007, there being a quorum present, by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Miller: Yes, Secretary Johnson: Yes, Treasurer Longhorn: Yes, Representative Carpenter: Yes, Governor Nuckolls vote if required N/A.

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The Absentee Shawnee Tribe
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Forms Available on website at <http://www.astribe.com>

Nobody likes filling out forms. But now it's easier to get some of the forms needed for tribal services. Many of the most commonly requested forms are now available on the Absentee Shawnee website at <http://www.astribe.com> – just click on “Download Forms” and you’ll see dozens of forms and documents from many tribal agencies. Michael Berry, AST member and tribal webmaster, talked with the various tribal agencies to determine which forms would be made available on the website. This will allow members to download and print forms wherever they have access to the Internet.

Forms available on the website include:

- Enrollment Application
- Address Change Form
- AST Membership Ordinance
- Child Care Application
- Demonstration Class Enrollment Form
- Academic Services Application
- Academic Program Guidelines
- Medical Intake Form
- ICW Income Verification
- Foster Home Application
- Foster Parent Application
- AST Foster Home Physical Exam Report
- Foster Care Program Statements of Confidentiality
- Sanitation Facilities Assistance
- Tribal Housing Improvements Program
- Tribal Housing Improvements Program update
- Environmental Pest Control

Anyone who has a suggestion for the website – including ideas for additional forms and documents – can email them to webmaster@astribe.com. or contact Michael Berry at (405) 275-4030 ext. 183.

59th Semi-Annual General Council

April 2007



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The AST Health programs held a health fair from 8:00 to 10:00, with their staff available for blood pressure and glucose level checks to all. The Health Programs had a display booth with informational materials on their services.

During the Semi-Annual General Council meetings, the booth fair is a great opportunity for all the departments to provide information on what services are provided by each.

Many departments participate in this event to educate, answer any questions or concerns that the tribal members may have about that particular department. It is always an event to join together to represent the tribe and its administration.

The Election Commission also took advantage of April's general council meeting by presenting all the tribal members with the new revised election ordinance and a ballot form.

There was a bit of confusion with this poll taken place at first from those unfamiliar with the Election Ordinance. Former Election Commissioner, Jim Johnson and the Election Commission Committee gave a brief explanation of the changes to the Election Ordinance.

The voting took place and the Election Committee announced the official count of 118 voting yes and 5 voting no. Which means the revised Election Ordinance will be placed on the ballot for a referendum vote in the **June 2007 Run Off election.** ■



Congratulations Donna Butler!

Donna Butler was the lucky winner of the Pendleton blanket raffle sponsored by the Elders Council at the 59th General Council meeting.

Pictured is the President of the Elder's Council, Dan Little Axe, Sr. presenting Donna with her beautiful blanket.

The Elder's Organization has fund raisers throughout the year to raise money for their group.

Support the Elder's Organization in the weekly 50/50 Pot. You can purchase tickets at the AST Gift Shop located at the tribal complex and at the AST Grocery & Smokeshop in Little Axe or AST Harrah Smokeshop.



**Absentee Shawnee Tribe
Cultural Preservation Department**

Dear Native American Students:

The Cultural Preservation Department would like to invite you to participate in the 33rd Annual Muscogee (Creek) Nation Junior Olympics that will be held on Friday, June 15th, 2007 in Okmulgee, OK.

Our Department will be sponsoring a team to enter into the event. There are 17 running events and 7 field events for boys and girls between the ages of 6-15 years old.

If you are interested, please contact our office at 275-4030 by Friday, May 11, 2007, so that we can start to get organized and get the needed paperwork signed and turned in by the May 18, 2007 deadline. Each participant will have to get a Registration and Consent Form filled out and signed by the parent(s), plus have a copy of their CDIB card made.

Please contact any of the following:

Andy Warrior, ext. 190
Amy Hilderbrand, ext. 124
Charlene Atwell, ext. 122
Karen Kariatobe, ext. 199
Edwina Butler-Wolfe, ext. 187



Little Axe Family **ANNUAL MEMORIAL GOLF CHALLENGE**

TWO-MAN TEAM KATS (BLIND DRAW FOR TEAMS)

JIMMY AUSTIN GOLF COURSE SEMINOLE, OK

JUNE 2ND, 2007 - 10:00 A.M. TEE TIME
(PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:30 A.M. FOR TEAM DRAWINGS)

ENTRY FEE: \$ 30.00/PLAYER

(PAY YOUR OWN GREEN FEES/CART)

LUNCH PROVIDED (FREE)

MULLIGANS - 2 FOR \$ 5.00 - MAX. 4 - PER PLAYER

SPECIAL CHALLENGES:

LONGEST DRIVE.....\$ 100.00
CLOSE TO PIN\$ 100.00 (2 GREENS)

EAGLE OPPORTUNITY JOHN DALEY HOLE
PAR 5 HOLE, HIT 2ND SHOT FROM 150 YARDS OUT ...(\$ 5.00 FEE)

CALL US NEED TO KNOW IF YOU'RE PLAYING!!

COORDINATORS:

DAN LITTLE AXE, SR. - (C) 816-8162 OR (O) 405-329-5542
RICK LITTLE AXE SR. - (C) 464-9832
DAN LITTLE AXE, JR. -

Wake up and come on in to CTSA

Central Tribe of Shawnee Area, Inc.
Head Start/Early Head Start / Home-Base

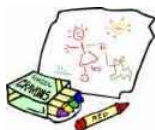
Now taking Applications for the 2007-2008 school year

Have the following documentation to complete application:



- * Birth Certificate
- * Up-To-Date Immunization Record
- * Verification of Income
- * Social Security Cards Adult/Child

Contact Samantha Robinson at
1533 N. McKinley
Shawnee, OK 74801
818-5820 or 818-5821



MEDIA DEPARTMENT IS MOVING AGAIN... **Hopefully this will be the last time!**

Our offices will be located in the Shawnee Clinic bldg #17
We are scheduled to be moved by June 1, 2007.

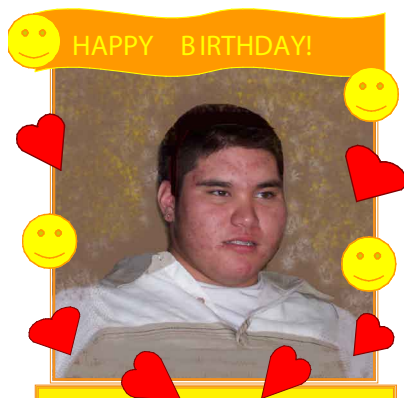
2025 S. Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801
405.275.4030

You may submit your articles by email or bring them to us.
Our email: mediadept@astribe.com

Any change of address or name changes need to be
sent to the Tribal Enrollment department at the Tribal
complex and the information will be forwarded to us.

Thank you,
Media Department

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL TRIBAL MEMBERS BORN IN MAY!



Colton Alexander Williams

On May 20th 17 years ago,
I was blessed with a wonderful
miracle,
and I treasure you everyday.
Happy 17th Birthday my son,
my heart.
Much Love, Mom

*Happy Birthday
And Many
More!!!
ROY GENE GIBSON
From
Marvin & Sherry*

*Happy Birthday
"Our favorite son"
Derek
May 4th*

*From
Mom & Dad Schulenberg*



*Happy 7th Birthday
Gabi
From Mom & Family*

**Happy Birthday
to all the
AST employees born in May**

*Happy 5th Birthday
to
Christian Daniel Byers*



*We Love you very much!!
Aunt Sherry & Uncle Marvin*

*I would like to wish a very
Happy Mothers day to Auntie
Lauree, Val (Angel's mom) and
Grandma Lena.
I love you all very much!
Love, Reyna-Beyna*

*Happy 17th Birthday - May 11th
Tiffany Littlecreek
From all of us,
Sharon, Lindsay, Makiah,
Lyndell & Coltin*

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY

To all our special moms
Velma Blanchard, Anna Smith,
Sharon Shawnee,
Kate Yates, Lindsay Shawnee,
Tavia Shawnee, Lois Gibson,
Marilyn Byers, & Carol Blanchard
From
Marvin & Sherry

*Happy Mothers Day
to all of you wonderful moms,
We all have been blessed with
our children - to be the moms that we are.
May you all be blessed with strength, love,
peace, joy and happiness!*

Congratulations to all The Graduates of 2007

*Baby Girl,
Daddy and I are extremely proud of the woman you have
become and everything you have accomplished in your life thus
far. Believe it or not, your life is just beginning.
Reach for the stars and conquer the world!*

*Love,
Mommy, Daddy, Brother and Sister*



*The Faculty and Senior Class
of
Fred C. Beyer High School
announce
Commencement Exercises
Friday evening, June eighth
Two Thousand Seven
six-thirty o'clock
Modesto Junior College*

*With memories of the past,
we look to the future.*
**The Graduating
Class
of
2007**

Admission by ticket only



Congratulations Jennifer Tiger!

Jennifer Tiger is honored for being selected and recognized as one of the 1000 Gates Millennium Scholars for the GMS Class of 2007.

She will be attending Oklahoma Baptist University and has plans on having a career in nursing. She is the daughter of Leonard and Diane Tiger of Shawnee and her paternal grandparents are the late Webster and Geraldine (Panther) Tiger.

You are commended on your academic achievements and again congratulations on being selected for this distinguished award.



TRIBAL YOUTH HONORED BY OCIE

The Oklahoma Council for Indian Education (OCIE) honored 645 outstanding high school and collegiate Native American students at the organization's annual Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society (OISHS) Induction and Banquet. 117 Oklahoma school districts nominated these deserving students. The banquet was held Thursday, April 26, 2007 at Oklahoma City's Clarion Meridian Convention Center.

In order to qualify, these Native American students must maintain a cumulative 3.9 grade point average and have demonstrated moral character, leadership skills, participation in cultural activities, as well as service and involvement to the tribe and community. Honorees received certificates, eagle pins, and t-shirts.

The organization's first honor banquet was held in the spring of 1990 with 300 plus members. Membership has increased each year with the present 2007 induction showcasing 645 high achieving students. To date, over 6500 Native American students have been inducted into the Honor Society.

Local honorees are tribal members; Christina Bread, the daughter of Dina and Mike Bread of Norman and Taylor Felton, daughter of Beverly and Doug Felton of Newalla. Both Christina and Taylor are students at Little Axe High School. The two other honorees are Mary and Jennifer Tiger from Shawnee. They are the daughters of Leonard and Diane Tiger of Shawnee.

Congratulations to all four of these fine young ladies for representing the Absentee Shawnee tribe. You have made the tribe and your families truly proud of your scholastic achievements.



Christina Bread and Taylor Felton
Little Axe High School



Jennifer Tiger and Mary Tiger
Shawnee High School

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA
2025 S. GORDON COOPER DRIVE
SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA 74801
PHONE (405) 275-4030 • FAX (405) 275-1922

ATTENTION: MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

GRASS MOWING APPLICATION

NAME: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CDIB: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

- 1) Must be ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL MEMBER.
- 2) * Must be 60 years or older.
- 3) All trash, branches, etc., cleaned out of yard.
- 4) Must provide proof of residency.

The Absentee Shawnee Tribe Maintenance Department will ONLY mow and weed eat the applicant's lawn. Maintenance will mow every 2 weeks. The Maintenance Personnel will not trim trees, scrubs, etc. or any other tasks related to the up keep yard. No RENT PROPERTY will be mowed.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

To be eligible and placed on the list, you will have to complete this form and return to the Secretary's office.

No call-ins accepted.

** Revision to Guidelines. Age limit is now 60 and above and will be strictly enforced.*

*Due to the misprint in the April issue of the Grass Mowing Application. The Media department placed the 2006 application for print, in which the guidelines have been revised for 2007. We apologize to all for any inconvenience this misprint may have caused.
Media*

FROM THE**ELECTION COMMISSION****ABSENTEE SHAWNEE ELECTION COMMISSION
ANNOUNCING OFFICIAL ELECTION VOTES
PRIMARY ELECTION - MARCH 17, 2007****EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE*****Governor 2 Year Term***

Jennifer Onzawah (Makaseah)	88 Votes
Kenneth Blanchard	88 Votes
Larry Nuckolls	93 Votes

Secretary 2 Year Term

Steve Johnson	172 Votes
Angela Michelle Armstrong Lopez	141 Votes

ELECTION COMMISSION***Election Commissioner 3 Year Term***

Sherman Tiger	159 Votes
Sabrina Little Axe	143 Votes

Election Secretary 3 Year Term

Meredith Wahpekeche	
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**FROM THE
ELECTION COMMISSION
TO TRIBAL MEMBERS:**

TRIBAL MEMBERS, please don't forget to request an ABSENTEE BALLOT if you think you are going to be unable to VOTE at the polls. The RUN OFF ELECTION is set for SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2007. There are events going on at this time, for example, Creek Nation Festival is usually going on at this time and many Tribal members play softball in the tournament. Family reunions or family gatherings may be planned for this time.

Please don't hesitate to request an ABSENTEE BALLOT. Fill out the request form and return it before the deadline date.

Deadline May 27, 2007**FROM THE ELECTION COMMISSION TO TRIBAL MEMBERS:**

This is to inform tribal members that the Election Commission is working on revising the Election Ordinance. In accordance with Article VI Section 3 of the Tribal Constitution, we will be working with the Executive Committee to accomplish this task. The Election Commission will inform the tribal members in the Tribal newsletter as to when the proposed revisions will be finalized and available for the Tribal members to pick up and review. For Tribal members that aren't able to pick up a copy but would like one, please fill out the following form providing the Election Commission with your current mailing address. The Election Commission is working toward completing the revisions of the Election Ordinance to be put on the ballot for a referendum vote in the **June 2007 election**.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St. _____ Zip _____

Return the form to:
Absentee Shawnee Election Commission
P.O. Box 741
Tecumseh, OK 74873

If you have any questions, you may contact the Election Commission office at (405) 275-4030 ext. 150 or call the toll free number 1-800-256-3341 ext. 150.

Election Commissioner

PLEASE fill out **EACH BLANK** completely and return by the Deadline.

ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

I, _____, hereby certify that I am or will be an Eligible Voter of
(Print Name)
the Absentee Shawnee Tribe on or before June 16, 2007. I cannot physically be present to cast
my Vote at the June 16, 2007 Run Off Election, therefore, I am requesting an Absentee Ballot
be mailed to me at the following address.

Name (please print): _____
(First) (Middle) (Maiden) (Last)

Address: _____ City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

CDIB#: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

All **REQUEST** must be received by **May 27, 2007**
Return this Form to:

Absentee Shawnee Election Commission
P.O. Box 741
Tecumseh, OK 74873

All eligible voters are entitled to vote, either at the polls or by Absentee Ballot.

For your convenience - This request may be duplicated

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If Disapproved (reason): _____

Denial Letter Mailed: _____ Ballot Mailed: _____

Election Commission/Representative

20th Anniversary Celebration



and Pow Wow June 30th & July 1st 2007

17 MILES EAST OF NORMAN, OK, ON HWY. 9

Emcee:	Sammy Tonkei White
Head Man Dancer:	George Cricket Shields
Head Lady Dancer:	Melanie Johnson
Head Gourd Dancer:	Sam Howell
Host Gourd Clan:	Comanche Little Ponies
Head Southern Drum:	Leonard Cozad Jr.
Head Northern Drum:	Blackbird
Head Drum Judge:	Troy Little Axe
Arena Director:	Dennis Little Axe

Contests In All Adult Categories

CONTESTANTS MUST BE IN BOTH 7:30^{pm} GRAND ENTRIES

Golden Age: Men and Women

\$1,000 - \$500 - \$250

Adult: Men And Women

\$1,000 - \$500 - \$250

Teens: Northern & Southern

Boys and Girls 13-17 yrs.

\$250 - \$200 - \$150

Juniors: Northern & Southern

Boys and Girls 7-12 yrs.

\$100 - \$75 - \$50

Tiny Tots

2 or less dancers in a category, categories will be combined

Gourd Dancing begins at 2:00^{pm}

Saturday & Sunday

Supper Break At 5:00^{pm}

Gourd Dancing resumes at 6:00^{pm}

Grand Entry 7:30^{pm} - Both Days

Saturday Night Special

\$750 Winner-Take-All

Women's Northern Fancy Shawl

Men's Southern Fancy

ALL DRUMS INVITED

Drum Contest:

Winner-Take-All

\$1,500



Contact Information;

Pow Wow Coordinator - 405.360.9270 ext. 331

Booth Fee \$100.00 (2 days) please contact Shawn Serena at ext. 270 for application

Thunderbird Casino is an Absentee Shawnee Enterprise and is not responsible for accidents or thefts

Must be 18 to enter the casino. No alcohol, firearms, or drugs of any type permitted.

Thunderbird Casino, 15700 E. St. Hwy. 9, Norman, OK, 73026

1.800.259.LUCK / 405.360.9270

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE
VETERANS ASSOCIATION
MINUTES FOR MEMBERSHIP MEETING

of Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Thunderbird Casino
 15700 E State Highway #9
 Norman, OK
 1900 hours

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 1925 by Commander John Sloat. Commander Sloat stated that according to the organizations bylaws, no business could be conducted because a quorum was not present. All business that was to be discussed at this meeting will be moved to May's meeting agenda.

CALL TO ORDER (1925):

Commander Sloat called the meeting to order at approximately 1925.

INVOCATION:

N/A

PLEDGE TO AMERICAN FLAG:

N/A

PLEDGE TO THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE FLAG:

N/A

ATTENDANCE (11):

OFFICER ATTENDANCE (3):

Commander: John Sloat

Executive Officer: absent

Operations Officer: Walter Larney

Chaplain: absent

First Sergeant: absent

Administrative Officer: John Vanderburg

MEMBER ATTENDANCE (8):

Kay Snake

Lewis Snake

David Little

Stella Little

Mary Birdtail

Richard Birdtail

David Voyles

Larry Rolette

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next membership meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, 2007 in the Thunderbird Casino Event Center at 7pm.



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**VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION
MEETING**

If you are a veteran of the armed forces or the spouse of a member of the tribe and you served in the armed forces, you are invited to join us.

A special note: If you are an individual interested in joining the military, you may contact the Veterans Department or attend one of our meetings. We have veterans from all branches of the military who would be happy to give you advice or counsel you on your future journey.

MEETING
Wednesday, June 13, 2007
7:00 p.m.

Thunderbird Casino Event Center

John Vanderburg
 Coordinator of Veteran's Affairs
 Located in Bldg 2
 (405) 275-4030 ext. 205

***Tribal Elders
Organization Meeting***

Saturday, May 19, 2007
10:00 a.m.

Brendle Corner

Community Center

(Hwy 9 & Hannah Newalla Rd)

All Tribal Elders Welcome



Tribal members Darrell L. and John S. received the offering of the buffalo skull from Governor Dennis Vigil of the Nambe Pueblo Tribe of Tewa Indians



Special Guest Visits "The Circle of Life"

On April 17, 2007 the Circle of Life Recovery Group had a special guest attend their meeting. Governor Dennis F. Vigil of the Nambe Pueblo Tribe of Tewa Indians presented the group with a buffalo skull, tobacco and offered special blessings to the group.

Among the honored guest who attended was Governor Larry Nuckolls, Kim Kannady of the Absentee Shawnee Behavioral Health and Ray Tainpeah of the Potawatomi Nation Behavioral Health.

The members of the Circle of Life Recovery Group would like to thank the Absentee Shawnee Tribe for their support and generous hospitality with the Old Charley's Palace building. With this opportunity the group has been able to host meetings with some great guests from different parts of the country.

The Circle of Life Native American Recovery Group is open and welcome to everyone. The meeting site is the Old Charley's Palace building, Hwy 177 & Acme Road in Shawnee. The meeting times are Sunday 4:00 p.m., Monday 12:00 p.m, Tuesday 8:00 p.m. and Thursday 8:00 p.m.

TITLE VI NEWS

Title VI Staff and I, Yvette Moore would like to take a moment to thank you for the opportunity to serve at the General Council. I hope everyone had plenty to eat.

Don't forget on May 28th for Memorial Day. The Absentee Shawnee Tribe Complex will be closed and no lunches we will be delivered or served.

We hope all the Mom's have a wonderful Mother's Day.

If you have any questions you can contact me at 275-4030 ext. 169.

Yvette Moore
Title VI Coordinator

**NEW! SoonerCare Dental Coverage**

for Pregnant Women

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority is pleased to provide a limited dental benefit for pregnant women. Proper dental care is important during a pregnancy and that treatment should begin as early in the pregnancy as possible. The Perinatal Dental Access Program will go into effect on May 1, 2007 for pregnant women enrolled in a SoonerCare Program. If a pregnant woman has SoonerCare but does not have Perinatal Dental Access, she may call the SoonerCare Helpline at 1-800-987-7767 to request it.

Little Axe Clinic**Now a SoonerCare Primary Care Provider!**

The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic located in Little Axe is currently a SoonerCare Primary Care Provider. If you, or a family member, are enrolled in a SoonerCare Program, you may select our clinic for your primary care services. Please contact the Little Axe Clinic at (405) 447-0300 for more information.

menu subject to change

MAY 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
BINGO ON 5-11-07 @ LA TITLE VI CLOSED ON 5-28-07		1 Chicken Fry Sandwich Potato Wedges Park n Beans Pears	2 B B Q Pull Pork Sandwich Coleslaw Tator Tots Cookies	3 Chicken Breast Sandwich Lettuce & Tom. Potatoe Salad Fruit Salad/Cookie	4 Biscuit & Gravy Bacon Sausage Juice	5
		6 Salisbury Steak Brussels Sprouts Scalloped Pot. Dinner Roll Choc. Pudding	7 Smoke Sausage w/ Kraut Blackeye Peas Salad Bar Cherry Pie/Bread	8 Pork Chop Mac & Chez Peas Wheat Bread Salad Bar/Peaches	9 Corn Soup Salad Bar Fry Bread Strawberry Short Cake	10 Bingo After Breakfast @LA Bacon Eggs Hashbrown Toast/ Juice
11 Happy Mother's Day	12 Meatloaf Greenbeans Mashed Pot. Brown Gravy Applesauce	13 Baked Ham Steamed Broccoli Sweet Potatoes Bread/Fruit Salad	14 Goulash Peas & carrots Cornbread Salad Bar Vanilla Pudding	15 Steak Fingers Mashed Pot./Gravy Corn Salad Bar/Bread Fruit Jell-O	16 Sausage Biscuit Cereal Juice	17
18 Chicken Salad Sandwich Celery Sticks Carrots Sticks Fresh Fruit	19 Hamburger Lettuce, Tom. Park n Beans Coleslaw Ice Cream or Fruit	20 Peppersteak Baked Pot. Mixed Veggies Dinner Roll Rice Pudding	21 Spaghetti Squash Salad Bar* Garlic Toast Apple Crisp	22 Ham English Muffin Juice	23	24
25 Frito Chili Pie Onion/ Cheese Apple Slices Bread Pudding	26 Beef Enchiladas Refried Beans Spanish Rice Toss Salad/Pudding	27 Chicken & Dumpling Wheat Roll Winter Mix Blackberry Cobbler	NOT GOING TO BE HOME LET US KNOW AT 275-4030 EXT. 169 OR NOTIFY YOUR DRIVER			28



Candidates for Run Off Election JUNE 16, 2007



JENNIFER ONZAHWAH «Makaseah» Candidate for Governor

Dear Fellow Tribal Members~

I'd like to take this time to thank everyone for your support at the Primary Elections in March and for the words of positive encouragement that I've received over the past few months as we head toward the General Election in June. Everyone seems to be ready for a change.

In my previous mail outs and flyers that I distributed, I shared with you my strategic goals that I'm proposing to accomplish once elected.

- 1) Develop a different approach to tribal government and how you are served by tribal leaders.
- 2) Increase tribal membership involvement and understanding
- 3) Be the economic development leader of Oklahoma tribes
- 4) Review all funding sources and requirements to maximize the returns to the tribal membership as a whole
- 5) Provide and improve the general welfare of our tribal membership

I believe that the success of the Tribe hinges on #1 and by changing the way the tribal government is operated. This change will require the hiring of an Executive Director/Tribal Administrator. During the October '06 General Council Meeting, I questioned each Executive Committee member as to their opinion of hiring a Tribal Administrator. Some were open to the idea and some were skeptical and said so in their monthly news article but nothing has been done for the past six months. Timing is extremely important especially since Executive Committee members are only elected for two-year terms. Once we take this first step, then the rest will fall in place.

I believe that we need to take active steps now to begin the change. All of the bickering and turf wars between programs and Executive Committee members need to stop. The Tribe's financial condition needs immediate attention and current spending needs to be reviewed. Necessary adjustments need to be made so that the tribal membership is benefiting more from the Tribe's revenue. All of the programs are designed for all eligible tribal members and each individual should be given the opportunity to apply for and receive services if they meet the guidelines.

An Executive Director/Tribal Administrator would have oversight over each of the Program Directors who handle the day-to-day operations of the program services. The Executive Committee members would meet with the Executive Director/Tribal Administrator on a weekly basis. Your Tribal Leaders, as a whole, would have more time available to handle the important issues that face the Tribe and would all be responsible for the self-governance/tribal sovereignty, health, economic development, gaming, etc. for the Tribe.

I believe that the current situation has gone on long enough and we, the members of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe, are ready for a change. Let's work toward making our Tribe successful once again and start taking care of business.

If you agree with me, I ask that you go to the polls on June 16th and elect me as your next Governor!

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Onzahwah

RUN OFF ELECTION JUNE 16, 2007

VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE



Kenneth Blanchard Candidate for Governor

I would like to thank you for your support and confidence in the March election. Now I'm asking for you and your family's vote in the June 16, 2007 election.

FACTS:

Never in the history of our Tribe have we experienced a non-progressive Governor Leadership. In the last twenty (20) months tax collections are down by millions of dollars. Investments have been drawn down to meet program shortfalls.

Moneys were commingled to where auditors could not complete a clear audit of spending. The Business Charter, which was approved, by the Federal Government and a Tribal Referendum vote was totally dismantled by firing all of the Economic Development staff and Board.

A state of the art dental program was eliminated and now has to be contracted out. Health Services were interrupted and now some of us are getting delinquent billing, which is causing us bad credit ratings.

GOALS:

- ◆ When elected, I will have meetings and set goals with the Executive Committee and Board's to work toward creating business to generate revenue to where it was before our three million dollar loss.
- ◆ To work towards creating businesses to generate our revenue to where it was before our loss in the last 20 months of estimated three million dollars.
- ◆ Require all expenditures to be handled in a professional manner so the auditors can give a clear picture of our revenue.
- ◆ Build a Health Service that would meet the need for all and create a dental office like we once had.

We must organize and energize our Tribe. It's time to support experience and proven leaders that will put us back on track.

With my experience and your vote on June 16, 2007. We can once again make our Tribe the proud people we have always been.

If you have questions please call me at (405) 329-7517.

I am asking for your vote on June 16, 2007.

Sabrina Little Axe Candidate for Election Commissioner

Thanks to the voters who participated in our tribal elections. I want to encourage each and every one of you to vote YES for the proposed Election Ordinance which will be on the June 2007 ballot.

I know I am controversial and push the envelope but that is to get our tribe outside the same old box. Once again I am doing something new this campaign. In the past, for various reasons I have supported both Larry Nuckolls and Kenneth Blanchard.

I always tell voters to research candidates (that most certainly includes me.) I have researched each of the candidates running for Governor. More importantly, I have either worked for or with each one of these individuals. Like everyone else, I am apt to listen to rumors about these individuals. Rumors are more adrenaline shaping than the truth but I do not let rumors be a basis for my vote.

This time around I am stepping out of the box and voting for Jennifer Onzahwah Makaseah for Governor. I know my article will get you to gossiping but let's hope it brings about change.

Over the years, many of you have griped about your elected officials. I find those individuals gathering up negative information about newly elected officials downright seedy. This is something that should have been done beforehand and in a face-to-face manner. Any other way brings me to believe you are a person that deserves equal treatment.

On the other hand, I think voters bear the burden of their vote. Once they hear such things, they often gasp, spread the rumor and say they will never vote for them again. Often, that lasts until the new refrigerator arrives. (Aye)

Do your research first, before your vote. Then, you can gripe with reason. If you don't vote, then don't gripe.

I hope my articles continue to move you to talk. As for your vote, you would vote for a person that speaks their mind and is not intimidated to do so.

Let's step out of the box together in June 2007.

Thanks!

Larry Nuckolls Candidate for Governor

I'm asking for your support and vote in this year's race for Governor. I have demonstrated the experience necessary to lead us back to financial stability in the future. Especially now with declining revenues now facing our Tribe. We experienced these same types of shortages in the early 1990's. During that time when I was elected to serve our members as Governor from 1993 to 1999. We worked as a Committee should in balancing our budgets and at the same time developed a reserve for our future. That was also the time under my direction we entered into self-governance. Before leaving office in 1999, I was able to develop by working with the Committee and with proper financial planning; we were able to set aside revenue reserves well over **(\$5 MILLION DOLLARS)**.

Several areas that we need to look at presently are to expand our gaming areas and plan these expansions with sound financial planning being a top priority. Currently my office has began this process with a hydraulic study (water drainage area regarding flooding when adding a new building to the complex) at this complex to locate a future Casino at the headquarters. With this study being complete, I have reviewed some plans for this addition and will be bringing these forward to the Committee this coming Regular Executive Committee meeting on May 12, 2007.

I will also be submitting to the Executive Committee a resolution to apply for a HUD Grant. This Grant will assist the tribe in building a small truck stop and restaurant at the Earlsboro exit on I-40. This was formally called the Dream Catcher project. This proposal will be a stream down version of the previous Dream Catcher project and it should if funded by the grant we will be able to increase our revenues for the future. In addition this office will be asking the Committee to move our gift shop to the building that the proposed bank was to be located in. This will allow our gift shop to be located in the front of the tribal complex instead of in the building where it is currently located and hard to find. This will also allow them to generate more sales with additional revenue by allowing them to sell tobacco and other products as our other smoke shops.

Also, we need to have a complete financial analysis of our gaming operation and the future activity of these opportunities and if any of the current lands that we now own are feasible to locate future gaming activities in these areas. This study needs to be done by someone that is independent of the tribe and that will provide this and future Committees an objective opinion of our assets and liabilities at this time.

We have to make better financial decisions as were made in the 90's to look for ways to expand our opportunities. We were able to accomplish the reserve that I mentioned above with a Committee that works together. For the betterment of the tribe, I plan to work with our current and future Committee members to get this accomplished.

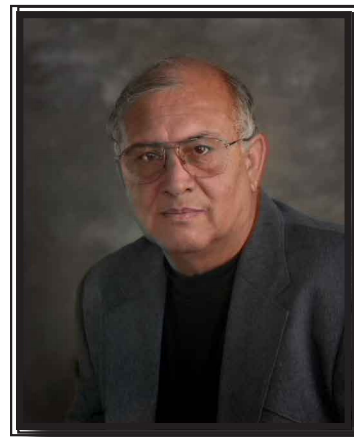
Our plans and focus should be more on our per cap payments and the programs that now serve our members and getting our financial house in order. It is my commitment to you if elected to another term to protect these for our members and increase them in the future.

We need to look at our tribe and develop a 1, 5, 10 and including a 20 year economic plans for our members on what direction we as leaders want to lead our membership in the future. With a plan in place and with its approval of the membership, regardless of who is elected all future leaders of our tribe can continue to implement this sound economic plan for our members future.

Today the reserves that I mention above is now gone and its up to the current leaders to come forward for the betterment of the members to develop our governments financial stability to use sound objective financial planning and budgeting for the remainder of this year, including years to follow. I will be meeting with this current Committee in these efforts. Our members deserve the best and it's up to us as leaders to deliver.

These are the areas that I pointed out above that I want our tribe to succeed in. With my previous experience we can accomplish financial stability again as we did in the 90's when I was the Governor of our Tribe. As leaders we need to look into the future and try to make the best prudent decision that we can for our members. These are the reasons that I'm running for re-election to lead our tribe and establish our tribe once again as a leader among Tribes and one that leads and not follow other tribes as we seem to be doing at this present time.

These are the reasons above that I need your vote and support as we move forward and not backwards in this year's election for Governor.



FROM THE ELECTION COMMISSION TO TRIBAL MEMBERS:

TRIBAL MEMBERS, please don't forget to request an ABSENTEE BALLOT if you think you are going to be unable to VOTE at the polls. The RUN OFF ELECTION is set for SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2007. There are events going on at this time, for example, Creek Nation Festival is usually going on at this time and many Tribal members play softball in the tournament. Family reunions or family gatherings may be planned for this time.

Please don't hesitate to request an ABSENTEE BALLOT. Fill out the request form and return it before the deadline date.

Deadline May 27, 2007



Steve Johnson Candidate for Secretary

Dear Tribal Member

In the next few months you are going to have to decide on who you want for the SECRETARY of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe. This position is a very important position that needs to be filled with an individual who has experience in tribal systems because any mistakes made in this area have long lasting effects on the tribe.

One of the lessons that my experience has taught me is that we have be able to communicate in an effective way with our peers as well as our employees. Ask yourself "Do I believe that the other candidate has the ability to set across the table with one of our Congressman or the GOVERNOR of Oklahoma or the President of the United States, and effectively

express the views of the tribe as well the views of Native Americans in general. I do know this

individual is expressive on the plight of illegal immigrants, but how does that apply to the needs of the Absentee Shawnee people? It doesn't. The motivation of this individual is personal, not professional which is what the role of the Secretary is. This article was submitted to the Shawnee News-star dated March 17, 2007.

The duties of the Secretary is based on constitutional duties and focuses operationally on tribal functions, BIA and some Self-Governance reporting is being done through this office, not to mention the maintenance department and staff. So I guess what I am saying and trying to tell you is, there is a lot more to this position then is realized and changing in mid stream right now wouldn't benefit the tribe. I have made valuable contacts while being in office and while serving on the National Congress of American Indian board as area vice-president of the Southern Plains region. It takes time and effort to develop and nurture these types of relationships to the point where they become valuable to the tribe. I have done that for you our Absentee Shawnee people and would like to continue for you.

Believe me in some point in time we are going to need these valuable contacts in the near future if we are going to be a truly self sustaining self-governing tribe. We shouldn't have to ask the Pottawatomis for permission when we, as a tribe, decide to put land into trust for the Absentee Shawnee Tribe but in order for us to get to that place it will take time, money and strong relationships with the community, with the State and with Congress. So if you want a cause to believe in then believe in me. Give me the time and opportunity to work for you again. I know I can accomplish this and more for the tribe if given the time to do it in. I have served in the Secretary position with honesty, integrity and fairness in the last twenty months and will continue to do so as long as I remain in office. Having the right attitude will make a big difference in how well this office will function and execute its responsibility. I have the right attitude; I know we can move forward towards progress for the benefit of the tribe. So today I ask for your vote

Thank you
Steve Johnson



Sherman Tiger Candidate for Election Commissioner

Hello, my name is Sherman Tiger, my folks are the late Henry Tiger Sr. and Dorothy Kaseca Tiger. My maternal grandparents are Joe Kaseca and Annie Charley Kaseca and paternal grandparents are Jim Tiger and Annie Mann Tiger.

I am running for Election Commissioner and would like your support.

If there are any concerns or questions, please call me at 405-264-6305 after 5:00 p.m.

Thank you,
Sherman Tiger

I am asking for your vote on June 16, 2007!

**RUN OFF
ELECTION
VOTE
ON
JUNE 16, 2007
YOUR
VOTE IS
YOUR
VOICE !!!!**



Angela Michelle Armstrong Lopez Candidate for Secretary

Hello Everyone! My name is Michelle Armstrong - Lopez.

I am running for office of Secretary.

I would like to thank you for your support in the Primary election in March.

Let me start by describing some of my goals for the tribe. We need to reduce the use of tribal vehicles on and off campus and in turn reduce the cost of revenue we spend on fuel. This is an ongoing problem and its time we do something about it. There are some tribal vehicles, we need to sale and in turn put the money back into the programs they came from.

I also think that if you're not, an Executive Committee Member or a program director on call than it's not necessary for you to have a tribal-sponsored cell phone. There are too many employees with cell phones and its time we start saving money on unnecessary phone bills.

There's a few more ideals I have that I think would benefit the members in a more efficient way. One is to separate the clothing program into its own account. I have worked in the School Clothing program for five years now, and every year it seems we have left a tribal member standing at a check out with denied checks, because of financial problems within the tribe. This is not only embarrassing to tribal members but it gives the tribe a bad name.

Another thing is Per capita payments. Just be honest with the tribal elders and let the members know, we don't have the money right now, we may have it the future but as of right now we can't afford it. Don't be going and getting the dividends from the bank and giving out per capita payments with it. We need to save all the money we can, so we can promote economic plan's that in turn will produce money for the tribe to give out per capita payments to everyone not just a select few, and my understanding is that all the per capita payments are to come from the casino's revenue. In the distribution plan it clearly states gaming revenues are to be distributed as follows:

This is the distribution plan approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

1. 30% to Tribal Government Operations
2. 30% to provide for General Welfare to the tribe or its Members
3. 30% to promote Tribal Economic Development
4. 5% to donate to Charitable Organizations
5. 5% to help fund Operations of local Government

It doesn't state that we can go to the bank and get dividends to pay per capita payments. These payments are to be paid from Gaming Revenue not moving money from one account to another.

It's time we start demanding that the, Absentee Shawnee Economic Development Authority (ASEDA) work for us, we have several buildings that people are interested in leasing and yet they are still empty. It's time we make money off what we have. Every little bit helps.

If the Executive Committee would work toward one goal at a time then, we would all be on the same track. We will have to work together to get things done. Otherwise, it's the same situation we are in now.

Someone came and told me when I started campaigning for office that you have to have experience in the corporate world to run and be in office. I believe that the corporate world and tribal government are two completely different things, I think if you keep your focus on the concerns of the tribal members, and listen to what they have to say then your heart is in the right place, and as for doing business for the tribe, its taking one day at a time and learning as you grow. I have worked here for years and I have never seen such confusion and frustration. We keep moving backwards instead of forwards. The moral is down among the employees and as tribal members we wonder if it's ever going to get better. A change can be scary or it can be for the betterment of oneself. We won't know unless we try.

There is one more important concern of mine, the employees and Executive Committee Members are not answering their phones or returning phone calls. I work the phone relief when needed and it is very difficult for a call to get though when we receive memo after memo advising us to not page anyone and to send the call to voicemail. I don't like talking to machines and I know tribal members don't either. I have taken this up with the Executive Committee Member who is over the receptions desk and I was told that in the corporate world everyone has voicemail, and that we can't prove anyone is in their offices so we have to put it through to their voice mail. Sorry I don't like voice mail. Must we forget we work for these tribal members who are calling and getting no answer, what good is voice mail if the employees and committee members are not returning their calls? When a tribal member calls, it doesn't take that much time or energy to pick up the phone and answer their question. Respect our tribal members and they will respect you.

Thanks for taking the time to read my campaign letter and hope to have you support in the Election.

Thank you

Michelle Lopez

405-275-4030 Ext: 114

michellel@astribe.com

SERVICES AVAILABLE TO YOU

The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic Little Axe Clinic

15702 E. Hwy 9

Norman, Oklahoma 73026

Phone: (405) 447-0300 Fax: (405) 447-2250

Clinic Operating Hours

Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Weekends/Federal Holidays Closed

**Clinic and Pharmacy will be closed the 3rd Wednesday
of each month from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

PHARMACY SERVICES

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL CLINIC PHARMACY

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Lunch (closed) 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Telephone: Direct 405.878.5859
Toll Free 866.742.4977
Fax 405.214.4230

PHARMACY 48 HOUR REFILL POLICY:

Due to the increase volume of prescriptions coming to us, we are requiring a 48 hour notice on all refills. Please call in advance with your refill #'s. All refills will be filled in the order that they are received, walk-ins will not take priority over call-ins.

As always, new prescriptions will take priority over refills. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to serve you better.

If you have any questions about the pharmacy services, please feel free to contact: Jim Swaim DPH or Martina Przebinda DPH at 405-878-5859



PHARMACY NEWS

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBAL PHARMACY SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA

The Absentee Shawnee Pharmacy (Shawnee Location) can fill prescriptions for enrolled Absentee Shawnee Tribal members only. We are currently working with a formulary for the pharmacy and we would like to encourage all tribal members to work with us so that we can keep our cost down.

The following is a list of ways which the pharmacy will be functioning with the current formulary change and also information that we will need from you to ensure that our pharmacy is keeping it's cost down. All prescriptions will be filled with a generic when available unless otherwise stated by your doctor.

- ▶ C.V.S. Pharmacy in Shawnee and Norman are available for "EMERGENCIES ONLY". All medications must be authorized for filling at these locations by the Tribal Pharmacy or emergency room.
- ▶ Please bring your insurance cards with you and present to the pharmacy staff. If you have insurance, you will still get your medications for you at no charge. Your insurance will pay for their part and the tribe will cover the co-pay. By using your insurance card it will help us keep our cost down and also provide us with funding to continue purchasing your medications.
- ▶ Also, you must keep us informed of any changes such as change in address, phone number, insurance companies and name changes.
- ▶ Also, we need to know if your medications are to be picked up, delivered or to be mailed. If the caller does not notify us of how they will get their medication we hold it in the pharmacy until it is called upon. This could delay the medication getting to you in a timely manner.
- ▶ If you have any questions concerning your prescriptions please feel free to call and talk to our pharmacist. They are here to assist you in any way.

Thank you for working with us during the many changes that we have had in the past and we appreciate your patience. We are here for all Tribal members so please don't hesitate to call us if you have any problems.

This policy will be in affect until further notice.
If you have any questions, please contact our Pharmacist's
Jim Swaim or Martina Przebinda at 405-878-5859

PHARMACY NEWS

The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic Pharmacy in Little Axe can fill prescriptions written by Physicians not located at the clinic under the following circumstances:

- 1) The prescription is for an Absentee Shawnee Tribal member who has an established chart at the Little Axe Clinic.
- 2) The prescribed medication is on the formulary of approved medications and stocked in the pharmacy.
- 3) Non-Absentee Shawnee patients who are referred to a specialist may present prescriptions written by the specialist to the clinic provider for review. This must be done by making an appointment with the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic provider. If deemed appropriate, the provider may write an order on the patient's chart for that medication or similar medication. The medication will be provided at the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic pharmacy only if it is on the formulary.

This policy will be in affect until further notice.

If you have any questions, please contact: Jack Ogden, RPh at 292.9530.

POLICY ON OUTSIDE PRESCRIPTIONS

The Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic Pharmacy in Little Axe can fill prescriptions written by Physicians not located at the clinic under the following circumstances:

- 1) The prescription is for an Absentee Shawnee Tribal member who has an established chart at the Little Axe Clinic.
- 2) The prescribed medication is on the formulary of approved medications and stocked in the pharmacy.
- 3) Non-Absentee Shawnee patients who are referred to a specialist may present prescriptions written by the specialist to the clinic provider for review. This must be done by making an appointment with the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic provider. If deemed appropriate, the provider may write an order on the patient's chart for that medication or similar medication. The medication will be provided at the Absentee Shawnee Tribal Clinic pharmacy only if it is on the formulary.

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ABSENTEE SHAWNEE CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Information Meeting:

Do you take care of a loved one with medically related dependence?

You may qualify for this very important avenue of help with your caregiver duties.

The Caregiver Support Program host a monthly meeting in building #17 (where the pharmacy is located) in the conference room. Contact the Program Coordinator for the date and time of meetings. The group meeting is for present, past, or potential program participants. Remember you may bring the person being cared for, also family members or anyone that is involved in caregiver duties.

The meeting agenda will be: (refreshments for you)

- A. Introduction of the program coordinator
- B. Information on program services
- C. Eligibility requirements
- D. Procedure to sign up for program
- E. Question and answer session

For further information regarding the meeting contact Nancy Carpenter, LPN, Program Coordinator at telephone number (405) 878-5850 ext. 11

Community Health Nursing Program

The CHNP delivers medications that are filled in our pharmacies. The pharmacy has asked that you call in your medication 48 hours before you run out, we also ask you to do so. This will work the best for all concerned. The key to this cooperative effort of timely medication fills and deliveries is the client being responsible for their part and calling in 48 hours in advance of need. Also if you have transportation and can pick your medications up, please do so, or call in 4-5 days in advance and have your medications mailed to your home. All of your efforts to help in accomplishing this very important service will be highly appreciated. The Certified Medication Aides that deliver thank you in advance for your consideration.

Article Submitted by:
Newton D. Sloat, Director

Education Department

The following are current programs administered by the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Education Department:

- ◆ [Academic \(K-12\) Program](#): assists with academic related expenses, and a portion of funds can be used for school-related athletic program expenses.
- ◆ [Zahn Program](#): established from a trust fund, program can help with some graduation expenses, and awards two (2) incentives: one for GED recipients and one for High School graduates.
- ◆ [Job Training Adult Education Program](#): funds for vocational training at accredited vocational institutions.
- ◆ [Higher Education: Education Incentive Award Program](#): funds for undergraduate degrees, one associates or bachelors degree, at any accredited college or university.
- ◆ [Graduate Scholarship Program](#): funds for one master's degree or one doctoral degree, and can fund for one graduate admissions test.

All program awards are distributed on a first come, first serve basis contingent upon the availability of funds.

For more information, please call Tresha Spoon at (405) 275-4030 ext. 121 or 1-800-256-3341
or email to tresham@astribe.com

Attention High School Seniors:

There are internship opportunities with the Absentee Shawnee Design Group (ASDG) for summer 2007. Please contact Duane Ellis, ASDG CEO/Training Coordinator, at (405) 321-1933 for more information.

Tribal Energy Assistance

- ◆ Must be an enrolled Absentee Shawnee Tribal Member
- ◆ Must bring current utility bill (electric, gas, water, propane and wood)
- ◆ Disconnect and past due stages are priorities
- ◆ Tribal member employees are low priority for assistance
- ◆ Absentee Shawnee Tribe – Social Services employees are exempt from this program. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- ◆ Allowance based on total household income and number of household members, in accordance with the Tribal Energy Assistance guidelines
- ◆ Deposits for utilities are not considered an emergency and will not be paid
- ◆ Applicant must supply all income verification for the past thirty (30) days and/or Letter of registration from Workforce Oklahoma (if unemployed) for everyone in household
- ◆ Must provide CDIB's, Social Security Cards and other forms of identification specified by the case worker for everyone in household.
- ◆ If abuse is suspected, the tribal member will be disqualified from this type of assistance for the remainder of the calendar year

This Program runs from March through December for tribal member who live in the United States (or until funds are depleted) and is a first come first serve basis.

For more information come by or call:
(405) 878-4723 or (405) 275-1468
Located in building #9 (old headstart)
Shawnee Larney, Jackie Denny & Darla Wood

2007 TRIBAL PHONE NUMBERS

Tribal Complex	(405) 275-4030
or	1-800 256-3341
OEP	(405) 273-9966
Building Blocks	(405) 878-0633
Health Programs	1-877-878-4702
or	1-877-878-4716
Little Axe Clinic	(405) 447-0300
Shawnee Clinic	(405) 878-5850
Shawnee Pharmacy	(405) 878-5859
LA Resource Center	(405) 364-7298
or	(405) 364-7569
LA Cultural Center	(405) 447-3372
AST Police	(405) 275-3200
or	(405) 275-3432
AS Housing Authority	(405) 273-1050
Thunderbird Casino	(405) 360-9270
All Nations	(405) 273-8118
Graphics & Printing	(405) 273-8143 Fax

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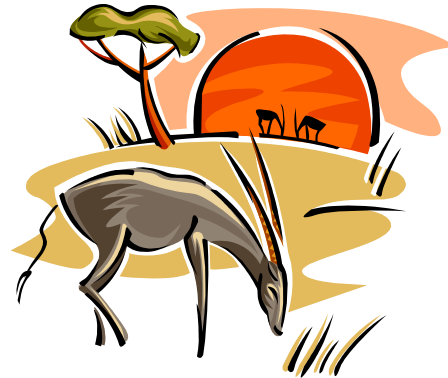
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***WILL BE closed on
May 28th - Memorial Day***

"CAMP NIKOTI"



"SUMMER SAFARI"



Summer Leadership and Recreation Camp
Sign-up begins May 29th

Ages 11-14yrs



Call 275-4030 ask for Family Services

Eligibility: Absentee Shawnee Youth and Tribal Employee's Children
Limited space available. First come, first served.



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